

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**LISTING OF CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A modular service device, comprising:  
a housing including at least one module location;  
at least one connection module, arrangeable at the module location and including a connection device for a connectable line;  
contact means ~~[[per]]~~arranged at the module location and opposing contact means ~~[[per]]~~arranged on the connection module, the contact means for contacting with the opposing contact means; and  
an insulating means, arranged at least at one of an end and a longitudinal side on at least one of the contact means and the opposing contact means, ~~that covers~~for covering the contact means on at least one of the end and the longitudinal ~~[[side .]]~~side.
2. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the insulating means includes an insulating bracket.
3. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the insulating means is a plug-in element in the housing.
4. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the insulating means is arranged at least at one of parallel and perpendicular to the longitudinal side of the contact means.
5. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the housing and the insulating means are in the form of an integral composite.

6. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the contact means include a longitudinal side, the contact means being contactable with the opposing contact means transversely with respect to the longitudinal side.
7. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a spring-loaded retaining means for coupling to a bearing device.
8. (Cancelled)
9. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, comprising latching means per module location and opposing latching means per connection module, for respectively providing module location-specific locking and unlocking.
10. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, comprising at least one of an electrical, electromagnetic and electronic device unit.
11. (Cancelled)
12. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the insulating device is a plug-in element in the housing.
13. (Previously Presented) The modular device as claimed in claim 2, further comprising at least one of an electrical, electromagnetic and electronic device unit.
14. (Currently Amended) A modular service device, comprising:
  - a housing including at least one module location;
  - at least one connection module, arrangeable at the module location and including a connection device for a connectable line;
  - a contact device ~~[[per]]~~at the module location and an opposing contact device ~~[[per]]~~at the connection module, the contact device being contactable with the opposing contact device;
  - and

an insulating device, arranged at least at one of on an end and a longitudinal side on at least one of the contact device and the opposing contact device, the contact device being covered on at least one of the end and the longitudinal side by the insulating device.

15. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 14, wherein the insulating device includes an insulating bracket.

16. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 14, wherein the insulating device is integrated as a plug-in element in the housing.

17. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 14, wherein the insulating device is arranged at least at one of parallel to and perpendicular to the longitudinal side of the contact device.

18. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 14, wherein the housing and the insulating device are in the form of an integral composite.

19. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 14, wherein the contact device include a longitudinal side, the contact device being contactable with the opposing contact device transversely with respect to the longitudinal side.

20. (Previously Presented) The modular service device as claimed in claim 14, further comprising a spring-loaded retaining device, coupleable to a bearing device.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (New) The modular service device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the insulating means covers the end and the longitudinal side of the contact means.

23. (New) The modular service device as claimed in claim 14, wherein insulating device covers the end and the longitudinal side of the contact device.

24. (New) A modular service device, comprising:  
a housing including a module connection;  
a contact device that protrudes from the housing at the module connection; and  
an insulating device arranged on the contact device, wherein the insulating device covers  
at least one of a longitudinal side and an end of the contact device.
25. (New) The modular service device as claimed in claim 24, further comprising a  
connection module receivable at the module connection of the housing, wherein the connection  
module includes a contact portion and the contact device is inserted in the contact portion when  
the connection module is connected to the housing.
26. (New) The modular service device as claimed in claim 24, wherein the insulating device  
is an insulating bracket fittable on the contact device.